

**State of Arizona**  
School Emergency Response Plan Requirements

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- Complete a hazard analysis of your school grounds and buildings, as well as the surrounding community, including natural and human related emergencies

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- Create a management system which will include a chain of command and alternates to carry out the plan
- Designate a primary and alternate on-site Command Post
- Identify persons, by title and agency, who will be notified during an emergency
- Describe the warning signals or commands that alert staff and students to emergency responses
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  2. Reverse evacuation
  3. Drop, cover, hold
  4. Lockdown
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**DIRECTION AND CONTROL:**

- Create an ICS (**Incident Command System**) for your site which will include a chain of command and alternates to implement and carry out the plan:
  1. **Incident commander**
  2. **Public information officer**
  3. **Safety officer**
  4. **Liaison officer**
  5. **Operations**
  6. **Planning**
  7. **Finance/administration**
  8. **Logistics**
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- Designate a primary and alternate evacuation route and assembly area
- Designate off-site relocation site to the North, South, East, and West (and how students would be moved or transported)
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- Provide a resource inventory of emergency items available - communication equipment, first aid, medical, fire fighting equipment, lighting, etc.
  
- Post a Classroom Emergency Response Guide in each room or assembly area for student and staff
  
- Each school should have a battery powered radio in case of power failure
  
- Make provisions for off campus emergencies (field trip, bus)

**PLAN DEVELOPMENT  
AND MAINTENANCE**

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- Provide a resource inventory of emergency items available - communication equipment, first aid, medical, fire fighting equipment, lighting, etc.
  
- List agreements with voluntary organizations, government agencies, and private organizations that will assist the school/district during an emergency
  
- Develop Classroom Emergency Response Guides and post copies in each room or assembly area for student and staff
  
- Provide a battery powered radio in case of power failure
  
- Provide a weather alert radio in case of an impending weather related emergency
  
- Develop off campus emergency (field trip, bus) procedures
  
- Have a campus emergency kit available in the office
  
- Provide each classroom with an emergency kit

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- Invite community, outside agencies (city, fire, police, emergency management) to assist in plan development, training exercises, and revision

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- Annually train staff regarding warning/ response signals, evacuation routes, assembly areas, emergency procedures, and chain of command
- Review current management system or **Incident Command System annually** with staff and train those who have assigned responsibilities
- Practice **annually** response drills with students
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  2. Reverse evacuation
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- One school district employee will participate in training annually
- Overview of plan explained and distributed to parents
- Schools will send a copy of their plan to be on file in the district office

**APPENDICES AND ATTACHMENTS**

- Management system or **ICS** structure and responsibilities
- Student roster with parent phone numbers
- Master schedule
- Faculty/staff roster with emergency phone numbers

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- Conduct annual staff training regarding warning/ response signals, evacuation routes, assembly areas, emergency procedures, and chain of command
- Review **Incident Command System annually** with staff and train those who have assigned responsibilities
- Practice response drills **each semester** with students
  1. Evacuation
  2. Reverse evacuation
  3. Drop, cover, hold
  4. Lockdown
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- School Safety Team will participate in annual training
- Overview of plan explained and distributed to parents
- Schools will send a copy of their plan to be included with the district wide plan
- Schools will complete an annual evaluation checklist of their plan

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General emergency number - **911**  
Ambulance  
Poison Control Center  
Local hospital  
Police Dept/Sheriff/State Police  
Fire Dept
- Map of evacuation route(s) and assembly areas, student release gate, command post(s)
- Site plan or blueprint of the facility and floor plan(s) of the building(s) showing location of water and gas shut off points, heat plants, boilers, generators, flammable liquid storage, other hazard materials storage, fire fighting equipment placement, first aid facilities, exits, etc.
- Lists with the name, title, address, telephone number, and organizational responsibilities for emergency operations
- Sample statements/letters for use in notifying faculty, students, parents, and media about emergency
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- Map of the area showing areas that may have an emergency impact on the school including major highways, railways, airports, power transmission lines, generating stations, industrial complexes, bulk oil and gas storage, pipe lines, etc.
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